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# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF ELECTRICAL EXAMINERS OF THE CITY OF LANSING

### Proceedings, January 17, 1961

Members present—Chairman C. J. Richards, E. J. Baker, Carl Moore, Collins Thornton and Inspectors Donald E. Deal and Ray Dwyer.

Meeting called to order at 8:00 P.M. by Chairman Richards.

Dan Balasses requested permission to change his MJ license to Class II Contractors License.

Motion by Baker, seconded by Moore that classification change be allowed.

Motion passes.

Letter from R. H. A. Bolton read and filed.

Collins Thornton brought up the Code section pertaining to emergency lighting.

There was a long discussion and all records were obtained and read.

Mr. Thornton excused himself and left.

There was a long discussion of electrical planning for new buildings.

The Board recommends that electrical plans be required for all commercial or industrial buildings and that said plans should be approved before a permit becomes valid.

Motion to adjourn by Baker, seconded and passed.

Adjourned at 10:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, DONALD E. DEAL, Secretary.

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### Proceedings, February 21, 1961

Members present—Chairman C. J. Richards, Carl Moore, Keith Norris, and Inspectors Donald E. Deal and Ray Dwyer.

Meeting called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Chairman Richards.

Albert E. Crawn, of Motor Wheel Corporation, appeared to present evidence of his qualifications for a Master Journeyman electrical license. A letter from Motor Wheel Corporation was introduced and read to the Board members.

Mr. Norris recognized Mr. Crawn and verified that he was employed by Consumers Power Company until 1942. The Board interrogated Mr. Crawn at length as to the type of work he has done in the past. All answers are completely satisfactory.

Mr. Crawn has moved to Lansing recently and requested consideration of his status to the extent of issuing of a class I.M.J. license. The Board informed Mr. Crawn that his credentials are all in order and such a license can and will be issued upon proof of legal residence of the City of Lansing.

There being no other business at hand. Mr. Norris made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Moore and passed.

Adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

### Proceedings, March 21, 1961

Members present: Chairman C. J. Richards, E. J. Baker, Keith Norris and Carl Moore, Inspectors Donald E. Deal and Ray Dwyer.

Emil Denke applied for examination for Class "MJ" license as Mr Denke has had his journeyman license more than two years and is qualified to write.

Examination granted and supervised by Mr. Dwyer.

Emergency and auxiliary lighting was discussed at length. The fact that some salespeople are still bothering merchants with their attempt to use the ordinance as sales pressure, was noted and discussed. It was also noted that some emergency lighting equipment is being offered for sale, that is not of an approved type. Secretary requested to contact State Journal for help in publishing these facts.

Mr. Dwyer reported evidence of tampering with new fustat adapters thereby canceling their effectiveness as protective devices. The inspectors reported that the contractors involved have been warned of the seriousness of this offense.

The methods used to ground secondary distribution panels was discussed after a report that some journeymen seem to be confused as to the proper method.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Mr. Denke completed examination at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, DONALD E. DEAL, Secretary.

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An appeal by Lloyd Egleston to alter a living room to extend beyond established set back line but no further than present open porch, ordinance not permitting building beyond established set-back line at 1621 Osband, was considered. The petitioner was present and stated that there would be no change in the roof line and that the foundation would be brought out to the front. There were no objections.

It was moved by Obrecht, supported by Petroff, that the appeal be granted providing adequate footing as determined by the Building Commissioner is provided, under (6). Section 36-12 of the Lansing Zoning Ordinance, to relieve a practical difficulty as it will not adversely affect the adjoining properties.

Motion carried.

An appeal by James L. Fineis to erect an addition to rear of house reducing south side yard to 1.85 feet, ordinance requiring 3 foot side yard at 1415 High Street (North), was considered. The petitioner was present and stated that the same roof line would be used. Mr. Donald Cushion, 15239 Pinehurst Drive, stated that he owns the house to the south and has no objection to the addition. There were no other objections.

It was moved by Petroff, supported by Mutz, that the appeal be granted, subject to compliance with the State Housing Code, under (6), Section 36-12 of the Lansing Zoning Ordinance, to relieve a practical difficulty and provide needed bedroom space.

Motion carried.

An appeal by Carl M. Bessert to erect an addition to rear of house to 22 feet of rear property line, ordinance requiring 25 foot rear yard at 1034 Parker, was considered. The petitioner was present and explained the floor plan.

It was moved by Mutz, supported by Houck, that the appeal be granted under (6), Section 36-12 of the Lansing Zoning Ordinance, to relieve a practical difficulty as it will not adversely affect the adjoining properties.

Motion carried.

An appeal by Leo A. Farhat to alter front porch into living room to extend beyond established set-back line but no further than present front porch, ordinance not permitting building beyond established set-back line at 514 W. Jefferson, was considered. The petitioner was present, there were no objections.

It was moved by Kelley, supported by Gadaleto, that the appeal be granted providing adequate footing, as determined by the Building Commissioner, is provided under (6), Section 36-12 of the Lansing Zoning Ordinance, to relieve a practical difficulty as it will not adversely affect the adjoining properties.

Motion carried.

It was moved by Houck, supported by Mutz, that a letter be sent to the City Council recommending that no further action be taken on the letter of the American Red Cross since no further interest has been shown.

Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 P.M.

VICTOR G. LEYRER, Secretary.

## OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF ELECTRICAL EXAMINERS OF THE CITY OF LANSING

### Proceedings, April 18, 1961

Members Present—Chairman C. J. Richards and Inspector Donald E. Deal.

Mr. Norris and Mr. Moore were excused.

A quorum not being present, no meeting

was held.

Respectfully submitted,

### Proceedings, June 20, 1961

Members Present—Chairman C. J. Richards, Keith Norris, Carl Moore and Inspectors Donald E. Deal and Ray Dwyer.

Meeting called to order at 7:30 by Chairman Richards.

Howard Simmons, home owner, granted permission to install service in his own home,

Martin Townsend, Forrest Fullerton and Jacob Garnat applied for examination for Journeyman electrician license.

Examination granted and started in separate rooms,

Heinz Zoller applied for Journeyman license, presented proof of qualification, namely: licenses from Germany and Switzerland providing proof of having served apprenticeship and ten years as a journeyman electrician.

Proof of qualification accepted and Mr. Zoller excused.

Motion by Norris, seconded by Moore, credentials be accepted and license granted.

Motion passed.

The report that Mr. William Kirby intends to submit bond and take his license out of escrow was discussed.

The appliance installation record for 1960, as furnished by the Board of Water and Light, was read and discussed.

The running test of the Auxiliary generator at Ingham Medical Hospital was reported.

Meeting adjourned 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

### Proceedings, July 18, 1961

Members present: Chairman C. J. Richards, E. J. Baker and Keith Norris and Inspector Donald E. Deal, Deane Battley and Carl Moore were excused.

Meeting called to order at 7:30 by Chairman Richards.

James A. Briggs requested examination for Class "J" license.

Granted and examination started in separate room.

Oscar Smith of 2110 Melvin Street requested home owners permit to wire his own house complete.

Permit granted after examination.

Edward Ernst of 944 Reo Road requested home owners permit to wire a one room addition to his home.

Permit granted after examination.

Joseph Slee, 646 Irvington Street requested home owners permit to wire addition for his home.

Permit granted after examination.

Mr. Brown, owner of the Life of Riley, a mobile home park, appeared to obtain information about being licensed to perform the electrical work at his Park. Mr. Brown was informed that he can employ a licensed Master Journeyman and will then be able to qualify for a Class III Industrial License which will allow him to perform electrical work in his own park. However, each mobile home or trailer must be inspected before being connected, as the mobile home or trailer was wired by others and inspection was not approved at the factory.

T. W. Behl requested refund on home owners permit. This permit was granted and fees paid, then Mr. Behl decided to employ an electrical contractor, so he returned the unused permit to this office. Electrical permits are not transferable.

Motion by Norris, seconded by Baker, refund be granted and proper authority be notified.

Motion passed.

Letter from City Attorney read and discussed. The file on William Kirkby was presented and considered.

Motion by Baker, seconded by Norris—that the City Attorney's suggestion be followed, namely the class "MJ" License issued in the name of William Kirkby be declared void as of July 18, 1961 and the fee of \$5.00 be returned to him.

Motion passed.

Motion by Baker, seconded by Norris, the proper authority be notified of the above action, with the requests that check for \$5.00 be mailed to Mr. Kirkby.

Motion passed.

Motion by Baker, seconded by Norris, the City Clerk be notified of the status of Mr. Kirkby, with notice that any bond for electrical contractor will not be accepted as no license exists.

Motion passed.

Motion by Norris, seconded by Baker, Mr. William Kirkby be notified of the action of this Board and that he is eligible to write the journeyman examination to obtain a class "J" License, at any regular meeting of this Board.

Motion passed.

The Board considered and discussed the possibility of requiring a sketch (hand drawn) to accompany any request for a home owners permit. The Board feels that this would better inform them as to the ability of the applicant to perform the work being considered. The Board will give further thought to this before taking official action.

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

Mr. Deal remained to complete examination under way.

Respectfully submitted,

### Proceedings, August 15, 1961

Members present—Chairman C. J. Richards, Carl Moore, E. J. Baker and Keith Norris and Inspectors Donald E. Deal and Ray Dwyer.

Elsa McDonald appeared to request examination for electrical journeyman license request granted and examination started under supervision of Mr. Dwyer.

Richard Denton of 1115 Hickory Street apeared to request home owners permit to rewire his present home.

Permit granted after examination.

Wayne Mead of 1817 Coleman Avenue appeared to request home owners permit to rewire his present home.

A permit allowing him to install branch circuits and fixtures was granted after examination.

Meeting called to order at 7:45 P.M. by Chairman Richards.

A letter, written by the State Electrical Administraive Board and addressed to all licensed contractors, was read.

A letter written by the Board of Water and Light, that will be used to help obtain final inspections of new houses, was read.

The Board discussed Code interpretation by different inspectors.

The inspectors brought up the question of services being tampered with by the floor sanders. Possible methods of preventing said tampering, were discussed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

### Proceedings, September 19, 1961

Members present—Chairman Richards, Carl Moore and Keith Norris and Inspectors Donald E. Deal and Ray Dwyer.

Meeting called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Chairman Richards.

H. Ford Carr requested Journeyman examination. Request granted and examination started in separate room.

Letter to Contractors read about proper use of twin circuit breakers. Discussion followed.

Report of situation at Churchill Downs. Discussion lack of cooperation.

Report of progress of auxiliary lights installations.

Donald Deal announced intention of holding code classes for Journeyman this winter.

Donald Deal will leave for Oklahoma City Friday as conference starts Monday. Many changes are expected in the 1962 Code.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD E. DEAL, Secretary.

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### Proceedings, October 17, 1961

Members Present: Chairman Richards, Keith Norris, E. J. Baker, Carl Moore and Inspectors Donald E. Deal and Ray Dwyer.

Meeting called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Chairman Richards.

Adam Kessler requested examination for Master Journeyman License, request granted and examination started in a separate room.

Raymond Reedy requested examination for Journeyman License, request granted and examination started in separate room.

Arley Hunt requested home owners permit to install a 100 ampere service at 123 Berry Street, Lansing. Request denied after examination proved lack of knowledge.

Report on conference at Oklahoma City by Mr. Deal and Norris.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD E. DEAL, Secretary.

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### Proceedings, November 21,1961

Members present: Chairman C. J. Richards, Keith Norris, Carl Moore and Inspectors Donald E. Deal and Ray Dwyer.

Meeting called to order by Chairman Richards at  $7:3 \bullet P.M.$ 

Cecil Rakes of 6228 Hilliard Road, Langrapheared to request a permit to install new wiring in his home. Mr. Rakes was given an oral examination by the Board.

The Board granted Mr. Rakes a permit to install the circuits and fixtures including switches and convenience receptacles.

The service is to be installed by a licensed and bonded electrical contractor.

Mr. Rakes was excused.

The Board requested new examinations, for all classes of license, be prepared and submitted for approval at next meeting.

The type of questions desired was discussed and agreed upon.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

### Proceedings, December 19, 1961

Members present—Chairman C. J. Richards, Carl Moore, Keith Norris and Inspectors Donald E. Deal and Ray Dwyer—5.

Forrest Fullerton and Henry Carr appeared to request examination for electrical journeyman's licenses.

Request granted and examination started in separate rooms under supervision of Mr. Dwyer.

Meeting called to order by Chairman Richards at  $8:00\ P.M.$ 

The application for permit, used by the department for home owners was examined and discussed.

The Board concluded that the application is obsolete and should be corrected to comply with present code.

Several parts of the City Electrical Code were discussed and the Board requested to give consideration, as to meaning and intent, of these sections, as we will discuss these further at the next regular meeting.

The Board discussed the different code interpretations by different inspectors in the area. This does result in considerable confusion, but this office believes the condition is improving.

Motion to adjourn, passed at 9:15 P.M.

Examination concluded at 9:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD E. DEAL, Secretary.

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